

IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday June 4th 2006

International Museums Weekend

The International Museums Weekend will take place on the 17th and 18th of June 2006. More information can be had from www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw

The Howth Martello Radio Group has registered for this event. The Group's callsign EI0MAR will be activated from the vintage radio museum located in the Martello tower overlooking Howth Harbour. Operation will be on HF with emphasis on CW. Channel S23 (145.575 MHz) will be monitored during the event. The museum is now open seven days a week until the end of October between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. The station is on the air most Sundays. EI0MAR's website address is www.qsl.net/ei5em/museum.html or simply Google EI0MAR to locate the website.

4 Metre Net

The 4-metre activity night takes place on the first Tuesday of each month between 20:00 and 22:00 local time. The next activity night is Tuesday the 6th of June. Please send reports to "ei3ix at eircom dot net". Call in frequency is 70.2625 MHz. So if you have any AM/FM/SSB gear, vertically or horizontally polarised, give a call in! Don't forget to have a listen for the 4-metre simplexer on 70.350 MHz.

6 Metre SSB Net

A monthly six metre net meets on the first Monday of each month on 50.135 SSB (horizontal polarisation) at 2100 (local time). The purpose of this net is to increase activity on the six-metre band. Activity seems to be primarily in the Munster (south-west) area but all are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Mass Amateur Satellite Launch – 28th June

In the largest ever deployment of Amateur Satellites, thirteen Amateur Satellites will be simultaneously launched at on the 28th of June from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. Each satellite is a 10 centimetre cube weighing just 1kg into which contains the battery, transmitter and various experiments.

Twelve of the satellites have downlinks between 435 and 438 MHz and one will operate on 145.950 MHz. Further information regarding the launch can be found at: littonlab.atl.calpoly.edu/

South Eastern Amateur Radio Club

The next committee meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place this coming Wednesday the 7th of June at 8.00 p.m. in the Roanmore Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. All committee members are asked to attend.

The group is currently looking at the possibility of running a theory course later this year (pending a suitable venue and sufficient candidates). To register your interest please e-mail "info at searg dot com" providing your Name, Address and contact details. For latest developments visit www.searg.com

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The next meeting of Shannon Basin Radio Club will take place in the Royal Hotel Roscommon on Wednesday the 7th of June at 8.30 p.m.

Limerick Radio Club

Members of the Limerick Radio Club are QRV as EI60LRC until the end of the year to mark 60 years of the club. Activity is on 80 to 10 metres. QSL is via EI8EM.

South Dublin Radio

South Dublin Radio Club are carrying out Theory classes every Tuesday between 8.00 p.m. and 10.00 p.m. in the Marian Community Centre, Marian Road, Tempelogue. It is planned to run the classes on an ongoing basis with an informal structure and anyone interested in radio are welcome to drop in at any time. The club produces a CD-ROM for those who can't attend the course, which contains a lot of information, applications and theory notes.

For information contact Jim Houlihan EI4HH, Michael EI2GKB or Paul EI2GSB.

Radio Theory Examination

The next Radio Theory Examination has now been scheduled for Wednesday the 28th of June 2006. It will take place in the ComReg offices at Abbey Court, Irish Life Centre, Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1 commencing at 2 p.m.

Candidates wishing to sit this examination should apply to Sean Nolan EI7CD, 12 Little Meadow, Pottery Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin as soon as possible. The closing date for applications is the 16th of June.

Dates for Your Diary

The VHF/UHF Field Day will take place over the weekend of the 1st and 2nd of July 2006.

The Blarney Rally will take place on September the 24th 2006.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Mark Wall, EI7IS at QTHR or by phone to 051-853806 or 087-6302026. Items for the radio news can also be faxed to 087 5 6302026. News should be submitted via e-mail to "news at irts dot ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Fridays.

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